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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
YANAGITA, Toshihiko

International Application No. PCT/JP00/04166
International Filing Date June 23, 2000

For: COMPOSITION FOR PROMOTING PASSIVE
EXTENSION OF BLADDER SMOOTH MUSCLE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX Patent Application
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the merits and/or calculation of the fees, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 8, 9, and 10 to read as follows:

8. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the C-terminus of the adrenomedullin is amidated.

9. (Amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein Gly is added to the C-terminus of the adrenomedullin.